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EDITORIAL

When A Bullet Becomes An Unbullet

Two long hidden photographs revealed by Jim Garrison on TV Dec. 9 have generated some denials and a rather strong rebuttal. The program was presented on Dallas WFAA-TV with Murphy Martin of that station interviewing the District Attorney.

Garrison stated the pictures show a "federal agent" picking up a bullet at the scene of the Kennedy slaying. In the pictures are two men in business suits and a policeman in uniform on the grass at the assassination site. The clock above the Texas Book Depository clearly reads 12:40, ten minutes after Kennedy was shot. One man in a suit is picking up an object from the grass near the curb.

Deputy Sheriff Eddie Raymond Walthers appears in the picture, but the name of the man picking up the bullet has never been released. One of the pictures was published in only one edition of the Dallas Times Herald on November 22, 1963, and has not been seen since then.

On a later program Walthers denied to Murphy Mar-

tin that the object was a bullet. The Dallas Morning News of Dec. 15, 1967, had this to say: "I never saw any bullet," Walthers recalled. "That's all there is to it. If he had found a bullet, he would have shouted, 'Look, a bullet'," the deputy reasoned.

If the unidentified "He" were, as I strongly suspect, a CIA man with forged Secret Service credentials, he would not have said, "Look, a bullet." He would have picked the bullet up and avoided all publicity, which is exactly what the man in this situation did.

In answer Garrison released a copy of a letter dated July 22, 1964, and written by Warren Commission Attorney Norman Redlich to another commission attorney, Wesley J. Liebeler. Redlich wrote Liebeler, who was to question Walthers, suggesting that he ask him "exactly what he saw on the day of the assassination with reference to the bullet which he claims splattered on the edge of the curb on Main Street."

The letter said, "One time Walthers was quoted as having found a bullet, BUT HE SEEMS TO HAVE BACKED AWAY FROM THIS POSITION." (Emphasis ours.)

"Of course," Garrison said Thursday, "Deputy Sheriff Walthers denies that the bullet is a bullet. If he did not, he would not be a deputy sheriff any longer." Garrison said Walthers had been "reduced to the embarrassment of having to pretend that the federal agent in the photograph has, in the first photograph, reached down for a piece of the President's head, and in the second photograph, is holding a piece of the President's head firmly clutched in his hand."

"What is more important is that Deputy Sheriff Walthers initially said that he did find a bullet," Garrison added. "But this was before Lyndon Johnson's administration indicated that the official line that it was going to be pretended that here was only one assassin."

"Many witnesses who have cooperated in the big lie by refusing to tell what they know about the truth have been given jobs in defense plants," Garrison claimed. "Our office has located at least one participant in the assassination of President Kennedy who now works at a military base for the United States Government."

More than 70 percent of the people of the United States now believe the Warren Commission is a fraud.

Understandably the President remains silent. What I cannot understand is why Congress remains so silent.